



**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Gerald D. Sauder et. al : Group Art Unit: 3654

Serial No.: 09/841,473 : Examiner: Scott Haugland

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Title: TAKE-UP REEL WITH UNI-DIRECTIONAL SPEED GOVERNED RETRACTOR

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

In the Abstract:

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**ABSTRACT**  
~~[TAKE UP REEL WITH UNI DIRECTIONAL  
SPEED GOVERNORED RETRACTOR]~~

A take-up reel for winding and storing an elongate hose or electrical cable comprises a reel ~~[supported by a stationary support shaft and urged in a first direction]~~ that is rewound by a torsional spring. A viscous clutch ~~[assembly comprising multiple disks housed in a chamber]~~